

**00178**

**1970/05/18**

EXDIS

EXDIS

EXDIS

EXDIS



Department of State

(F165)

TELEGRAM

SECRET 838

PAGE 01 STATE 075644

84

ORIGIN SS-10

INFO OCT-01 1011 R

66631

DRAFTED BY EA:ACA:HEITHAYER

APPROVED BY EA:ACA:HARRY E T THAYER

S/S MR BROWN

EA:AMBASSADOR BROWN

R 182213Z MAY 70  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW  
AMEMBASSY TOKYO  
AMEMBASSY TAIPEI  
AMCONSUL HONG KONG  
AMEMBASSY SAIGON

SECRET STATE 075644

EXDIS

FOLLOWING SENT ACTION SECSTATE FROM WARSAW MAY 18, QTE:

SECRET WARSAW 1290

EXDIS

FOR GREEN AND BROWN FROM KREISBERG

SUBJECT: CANCELLATION OF WARSAW MEETING

REF: WARSAW 1284

1. WE ASSUME THAT BY SUGGESTING DISCUSSION OF NEW MEETING DATE BETWEEN EMBASSY LIASON OFFICERS JUNE 20, CHINESE INDICATING THAT ONCE US UNITS WITHDRAWN FROM CAMBODIA, CHINESE PREPARED PROCEEDED WITH BILATERAL MEETINGS. THIS APPROACH REPRESENTS COSTLESS POLITICAL CHINESE "ESCALATORY" REACTION TO CAMBODIAN EVENTS, SUGGESTS TO US AND OTHER FOREIGN AUDIENCES THAT US CANNOT ATTEMPT DIALOGUE--OR IMPROVEMENT.

SECRET

NOT TO BE REPRODUCED WITHOUT THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

EXD  
EXD



Department of State

TELEGRAM

SECRET

PAGE 02 STATE 075644

OF RELATIONS--WITH CHINESE UNDER "THREAT" OF EXPANDING  
CONFLICT IN INDOCHINA, BUT HOLDS OPEN BAIT OF RENEWED  
CONTACTS WHEN CURRENT SITUATION RELIEVED.

2. IF MEETINGS STILL BEING HELD IN POLISH PALACE, CHINESE  
MIGHT HAVE MET WITH US AND ISSUED POLEMICAL BLAST. NO  
PURPOSE IN SUCH ACTION IN PRIVATE MEETING IF PEKING WISHES  
KEEP OPEN CHANNEL FOR DIALOGUE WITH US. ON OTHER HAND,  
MIGHT HAVE FELT IT NECESSARY MEET IN ORDER CONVEY SOME DIRECT  
SENSE OF WARNING OR CONCERN IN PRIVATE. ACTUAL CHINESE MOVE,  
THEREFORE, PROBABLY SHOULD BE SEEN AS TACTICAL PSYWAR MOVE  
RATHER THAN ABRUPT CHANGE IN CHICOM POLICY ON DIALOGUE WITH  
US.

3. BELIEVE US PUBLIC REACTION SHOULD BE TO REJECT CHINESE  
ALLEGATION. INDICATE BELIEF THAT TIMING OF CANCELLATION TWO  
DAYS BEFORE MEETING AND AFTER US TROOPS ALREADY BEGINNING  
PULL BACK FROM CAMBODIA MAKES CLEAR THAT CHINESE MOVE  
DESIGNED SIMPLY FOR PROPAGANDA EFFECT. HOPE WE WILL INDICATE  
WE REGRET CHINESE ACTION WHICH OBVIOUSLY CANNOT CONTRIBUTE  
IN ANY WAY TO RELAXATION OF TENSIONS IN AREA.

4. ON QUESTION OF NEXT MEETING DATE, BELIEVE EMBASSY LIAISON  
OFFICER SHOULD INFORM CHINESE HERE THAT SINCE THEY HAVE  
CANCELLED THIS MEETING, WE WILL WAIT FOR THEM TO PROPOSE  
ANOTHER DATE. WE WOULD INDICATE THAT IF CHINESE WISH  
TO MAKE SUCH PROPOSAL ON JUNE 20, WE WILL BE GLAD TO RECEIVE  
THEIR SUGGESTION AND GIVE IT OUR CONSIDERATION. IF ASKED BY  
PRESS ABOUT DATE FOR NEXT MEETING, BELIEVE DEPARTMENT SHOULD  
MAKE IT CLEAR UP TO CHINESE TO MAKE PROPOSAL BUT WE, OF COURSE,  
PREPARED TO CONTINUE MEETINGS.

5. KREISBERG AND ANDERSON PLAN LEAVE AFTERNOON MAY 20  
AND ARRIVE WASHINGTON AFTERNOON MAY 21 UNLESS INSTRUCTED  
OTHERWISE. THEY DO NOT PLAN CONTACT CHINESE EMBASSY.

GP-2.  
STOESSEL UNQUOTE  
ROGERS

SECRET

NOT TO BE REPRODUCED WITHOUT THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY